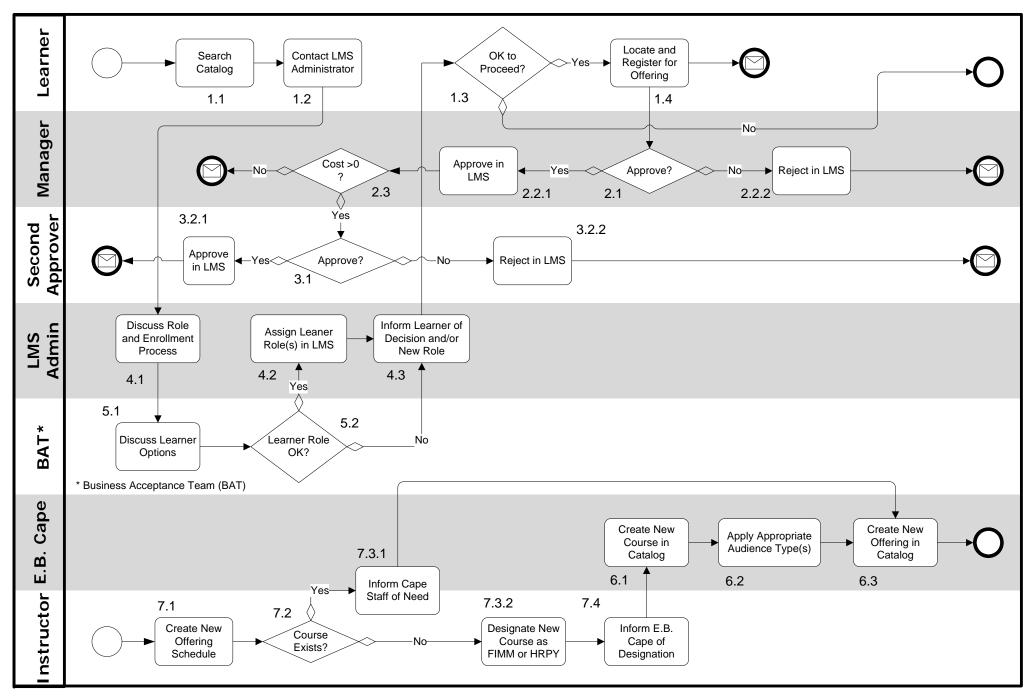
City of Houston – SAP Registration and Catalog Process



Narrative for SAP Registration and Catalog Process

Purpose

This document provides a narrative description for the flow chart illustration of the proposed SAP registration and catalog maintenance process. It describes the interaction of all functional roles involved in the process, and it references supporting documents, such as Job Aids, which provide additional step-by-step instructions for performing activities.

Learner Activities

- 1.1 When the learner searches the LMS Knowledge Center for information about SAP courses and offerings, he or she will see a single course called SAP Registration Information. That course has no offerings, but rather has a description of the process, including a link to this process map and narrative. The description also instructs the learner to discuss the registration with his or her LMS Administrator.
- 1.2 The learner contacts the LMS Administrator for his or her department. Names of the departmental LMS Administrators can be found in the Outlook Global Address List under the distribution group called LMS Departmental Administrators.
- 1.3 After the LMS Administrator has informed the learner of the decision of the Business Approval Team (BAT), the learner either proceeds to step 1.4 Locate and Register for Offering, or the process ends.
- 1.4 Assuming that the decision of the BAT was to allow the learner to register, the learner goes back to the LMS Knowledge Center to search for an appropriate offering of the SAP course(s) that correspond to the role(s) assigned in step 4.2. An automated notification in generated when the learner registers for the course offering, requesting approval from his or her manager. (See Job Aid: Register for an Instructor-Led Course Offering.)

Manager Activities

- 2.1 After the learner selects and registers for an SAP course, the learner's manager receives an automated notification, requesting approval for the registration. The manager is required to approve the employee's time that will be spent in the course offering. This approval happens in the LMS. Based on the manager's decision, the process flow moves either to step 2.2.1 or 2.2.2, depending on whether the registration request was approved or rejected.
- 2.2.1 If the manager agrees to allow the learner to participate in the course, he or she logs into the LMS, goes to the Team Dashboard view, locates the request for approval in the Team Enrollments section and approves the registration request. (See Job Aid: Approve a Registration Request.)
- 2.2.2 If the manager does not agree to allow the learner to participate in the course, he or she logs into the LMS, goes to the Team Dashboard view, locates the request for approval in the Team Enrollments section and rejects the registration request. The LMS sends an automated notification to the learner, stating that the manager rejected the request. (See Job Aid: Approve a Registration Request.)
- 2.3 If there is a cost associated with the course offering, the LMS will send an automated notification to the Additional Approver (Second Approver) assigned to the learner, based on his or her cost center. If there is no cost associated with the course offering, the LMS sends a notification to the learner that his or her manager has approved the registration request.

Additional Approver (Second Approver) Activities

- 3.1 The role of the Additional Approver is to verify that there are ample funds in GL Account #520805 and to release those funds as appropriate. If there are not ample funds, the decision must be made to reject the request. If there are sufficient funds, there still may be reasons why the request could be rejected. Regardless of these reasons, the Additional Approver will either approve or reject the request, following steps 3.2.1 or 3.2.2 as appropriate.
- 3.2.1 If the Additional Approver agrees to release the funds, he or she logs into the LMS, goes to the My Learning tab, checks the Approvals Inbox and approves the registration request. The LMS sends an automated notification to the learner and his or her manager, notifying them of the decision. (See Job Aid: Perform Additional Approver Role.)
- 3.2.2 If the Additional Approver does not agree to release the funds, he or she logs into the LMS, goes to the My Learning tab, checks the Approvals Inbox and rejects the registration request. The LMS sends an automated notification to the learner and his or her manager, notifying them of the decision.

LMS Administrator Activities

- 4.1 When the Learner contacts the LMS Administrator to discuss the SAP registration process, the LMS Administrator mentions that prior to taking any specialized SAP course, the learner must take the SAP Overview course. In order for a learner to see the offerings for the SAP courses, he or she must be approved by the Business Approval Team (BAT) in one or both of the potential SAP role families (i.e., FI/MM or HR/PY).
- 4.2 After the Business Approval Team (BAT) agrees to allow the learner to be assigned to either or both of the SAP role families, the LMS Administrator assigns the associate Audience Type(s) in the LMS. (See Job Aid titled: Assign Audience Type to Person.)
- 4.3 After assigning the proper Audience Type(s) in the LMS, or after learning from the Business Approval Team (BAT) that the learner has not been approved for either of the SAP role families, the LMS Administrator contacts the Learner and informs him or her of the decision. If the BAT approved the learner, the LMS Administrator tells the learner what to expect when he or she searches the Knowledge Center for SAP course offerings (e.g., if assigned the FIMM audience type, the learner will see only the courses associated with that particular role family).

Business Approval Team (BAT) Activities

- 5.1 When the LMS Administrator contacts the appropriate Business Approval Team (BAT) representative to discuss the specific SAP registration request from the learner, the BAT representative may need to contact the learner, the learner's manager or others as needed to ensure that there is an appropriate business case for the learner to be assigned one of both of the role families prior to taking the SAP Overview course.
- 5.2 Depending on a variety of department-specific factors, the decision may be very easy or very difficult. Regardless of which decision is made, the BAT representative communicates the decision to the LMS Administrator.

E.B Cape Activities (Catalog Administration)

- 6.1 If the course does not yet exist in the LMS, the Catalog Administrators at E.B. Cape will create it. The course will be created with the appropriate Delivery Type (e.g., Instructor-Led), security domain (e.g., Common visible to all departments) and course code. Any other needs, such as a cost, variation from the standard business rules for approvals (i.e., manager approval required for all courses and additional approval required for courses with cost greater than 0\$), will be addressed as needed. (See Job Aid: Create New Course.)
- 6.2 Based on the classification of the new course by the ERP Instructor, the Cape Center will also apply the appropriate audience type to the course. This audience type will, in turn, be inherited by all subsequent offerings of the course. (See Job Aid: Apply Audience Type to Course.)
- 6.3 If the course already exists in the system, or after it has been created in the two previous steps, an offering will be created. At present, all SAP course offerings use the Instructor-Led delivery type, but other delivery types (e.g., Virtual Course, Video on Demand, etc.) may apply in the future. Assuming it is an Instructor-Led course, the offering will include the date, time, location (including room) and may also include the assignment of an appropriate instructor. (See Job Aid: Create New Offering for Existing Course.)

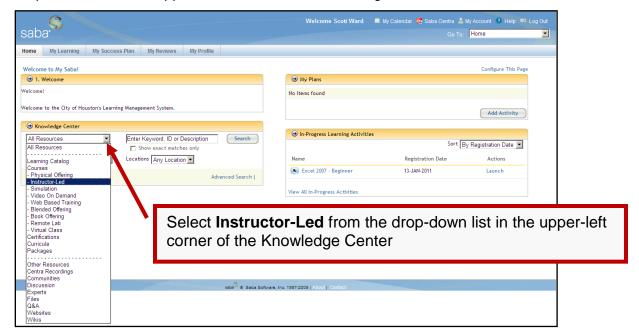
Instructor Activities

- 7.1 When the Instructor has a new course, or a new offering date for an existing course, he or she creates a schedule, indicating the dates, times and locations in which the course offerings will be delivered.
- 7.2 If the course is new (i.e., has never been delivered before), additional steps 7.3 and 7.4 need to be followed; otherwise, the cataloging process ends for the Instructor.
- 7.3.1 If the course already exists, the Instructor needs to notify the Cape Center staff to let them know of the need for one or more new offerings of the existing course.
- 7.3.2 For a new course, the Instructor first needs to identify whether the course fits better in the FI/MM role family or the HR/PY role family.
- 7.4 After determining the designation of the role family, the Instructor needs to communicate the designation to the Cape Center Catalog Administrators to ensure that the proper audience type is applied. The instructor would also communicate the need for any scheduled offerings of the new course.

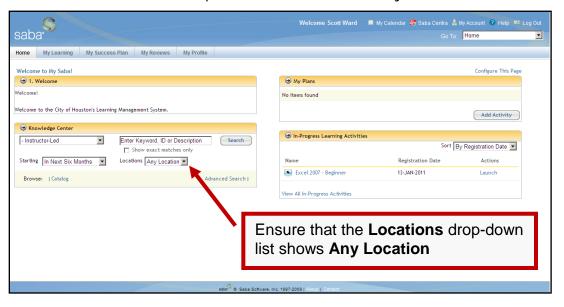
LMS Job Aid: Register for an Instructor-led Course Offering

The purpose of this job aid is to show you how to register for an Instructor-led course offering.

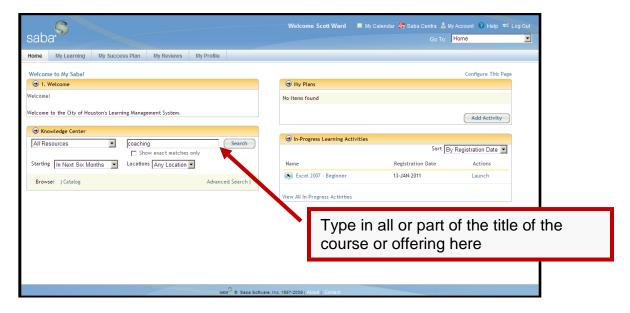
- 1. Log into the LMS.
- 2. From the Home tab, locate the Knowledge Center portlet. Select the Instructor-Led option from the drop-down list in the upper-left corner of the Knowledge Center.



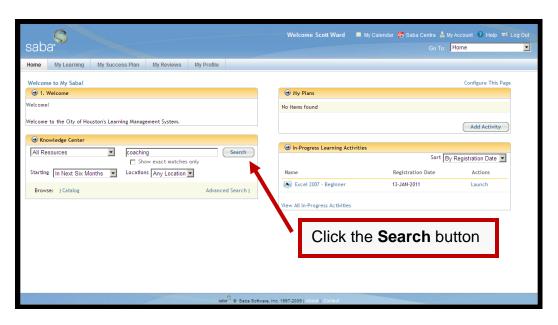
3. Ensure that the Locations drop-down list is set to show Any Location.



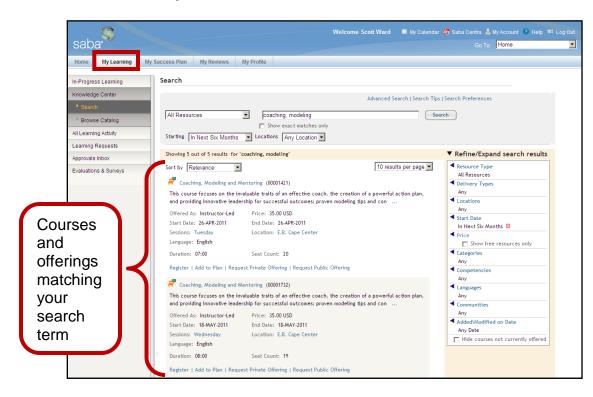
4. In the field to the left of the Search button, type in all or part of the title of the course or offering. In this case, we are looking for a course called Coaching, Modeling and Mentoring, so we'll just enter "Coaching" in the search field.



5. Click the Search button to start your search.



6. First, note that the system has moved you to the My Learning tab. The courses and offerings matching the search term you entered are shown here.



Notice that you are now on the **My Learning** tab

7. Be sure to read the information on Seat Count. A Seat Count number of 0 indicates that all seats are currently taken.



These two offerings of the course:
Coaching, Modeling and Mentoring still have seats available

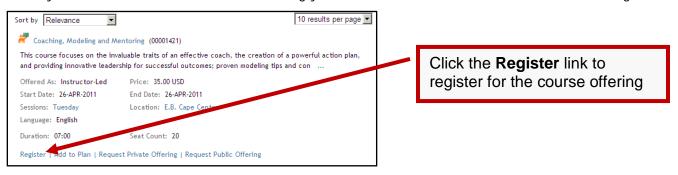
8. Let's assume you want to go to the session on Tuesday, April 26. To find out the start time for the session, click the Tuesday link.



9. On the Session Detail window, note the starting and ending times for the offering, as well as the listings under the Instructor and Room section. If you are at your own computer, you may choose to export the event to your Outlook calendar. Otherwise, click the Close button to close the window.



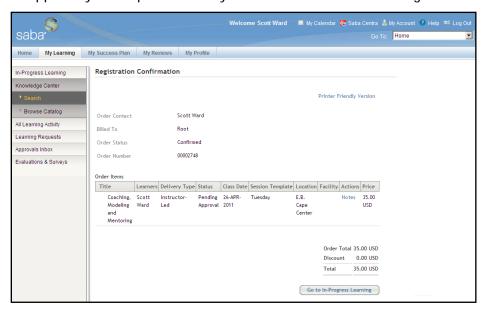
10. When you're satisfied that this is the offering you want to attend for this course, click the Register link.



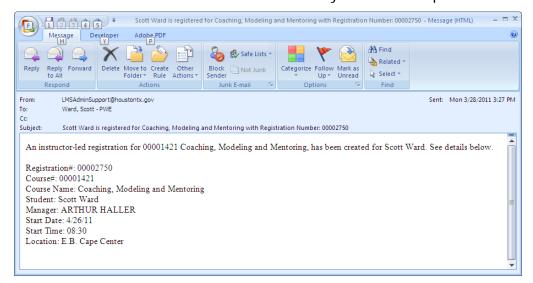
11. When you click the Register link a screen displays, stating that the offering requires the approval of your manager. Most, if not all, courses in the LMS require you to have your manager's approval for the course. This is because your manager or supervisor is the person responsible for your time on the job. If you're fairly certain that your manager would allow you to attend this training event during your regular working hours, click the Yes, Continue Registration button.



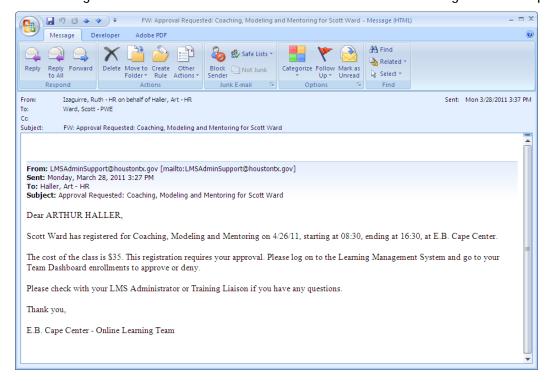
12. After you click the button in the screen above, a Registration Confirmation screen displays. It shows the Order Status as Confirmed, the Order Number and the price of the course offering. Also note that the Status is shown as Pending Approval in the Order Items table. This means that your manager still needs to approve your request before you attend the course offering.



13. You will also receive an e-mail notification that your order was processed.



14. Your manager will also receive an e-mail with the details of the registration request.



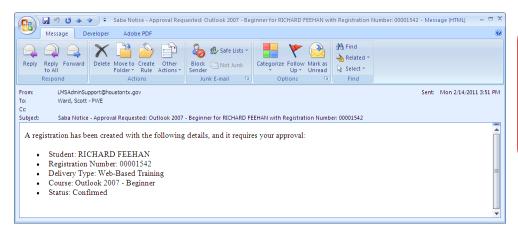
15. When your manager approves or rejects your registration request, you will receive an -email with the results of the decision. Also note that, depending on whether or not there is a dollar cost associated with the training activity, additional approval beyond your manager or supervisor may be necessary.

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LMS Job Aid: Approve a Registration Request

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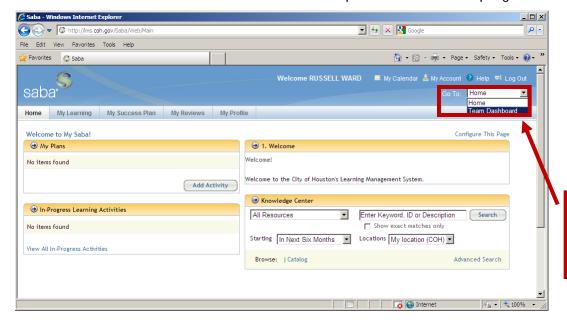
1. Receive e-mail notification regarding registration request in Outlook. Take note of the name of the employee requesting the registration and the name of the course offering being requested.



IMPORTANT NOTE:

The e-mail notification messages from the LMS are generated automatically.
Therefore, **DO NOT** reply to these e-mails.

- 2. Log into the LMS.
- 3. Select Team Dashboard from the Go To: roles drop-down list in the top right corner of the screen



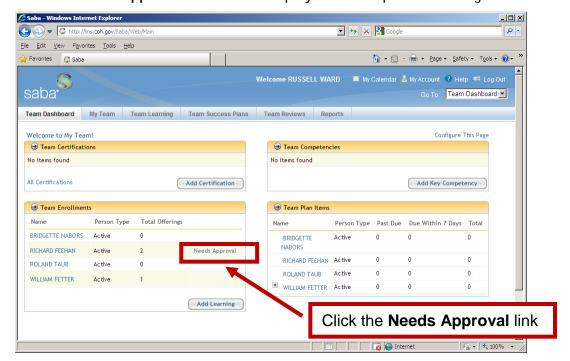
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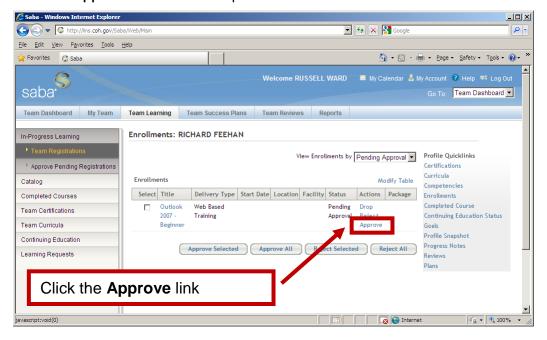
from the Go To:

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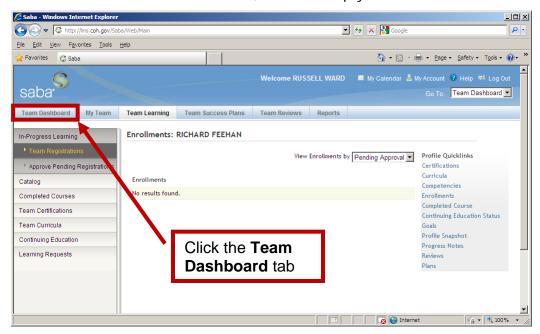
4. Click the Needs Approval link for the employee who requested the registration.



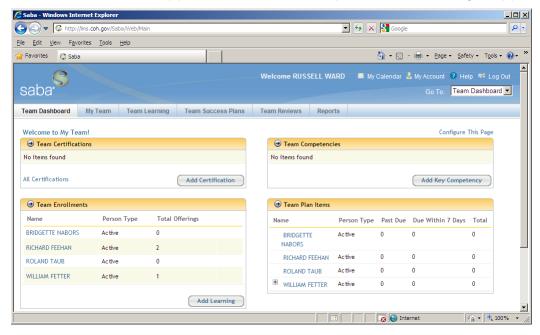
5. Click the Approve link for the requested enrollment.



6. When the Enrollments screen returns, it is now empty. Click the Team Dashboard tab.



7. Note that the Needs Approval link seen in step number 4 no longer appears.



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LMS Job Aid: Perform Additional Approver Role

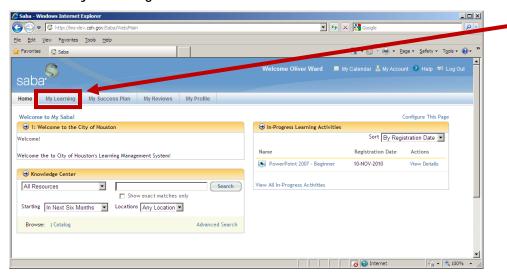
In the City of Houston's LMS, all course offerings require the approval of the manager or the supervisor of the employee to account for the time the employee will spend training instead of doing the job that he or she normally does. In the case of a course offering that has additional cost (i.e., dollars) that goes beyond the cost of the employee's time away from the job requires an OK from an Additional Approver. Each employee has one person assigned as his or her Additional Approver.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

In your role as additional approver, you are expected to ensure that there is enough money available in GL account #520805 in the cost center and fund applicable to the employee BEFORE approving the request.

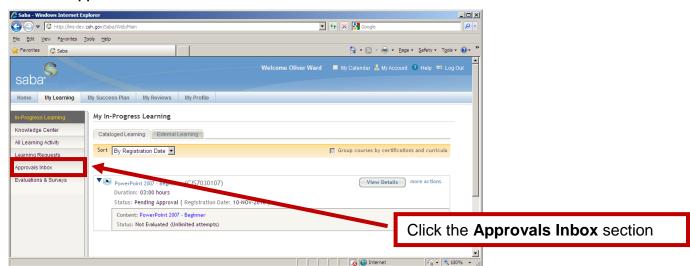
The purpose of this job aid is to show you how to perform the role of Additional Approver.

- 1. Log into the LMS. Ensure that you change your password from its original default value! For details, refer to the Job Aid: Change Your Password.
- 2. Click the My Learning tab.

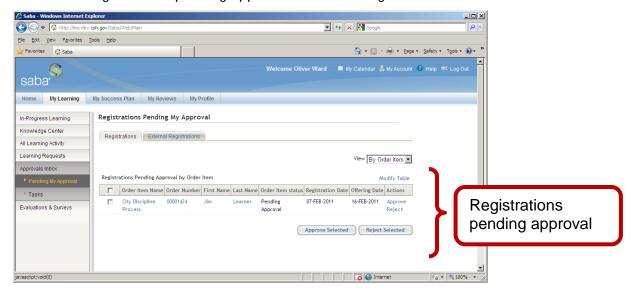


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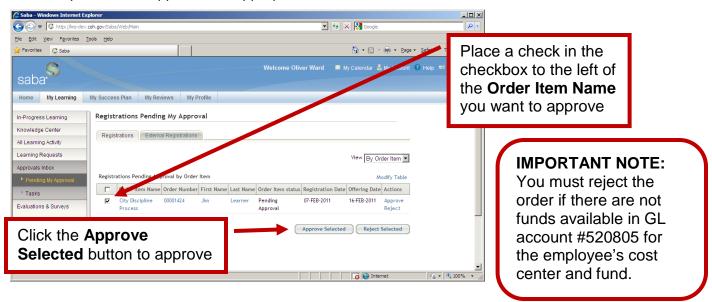
3. Click the Approvals Inbox section.



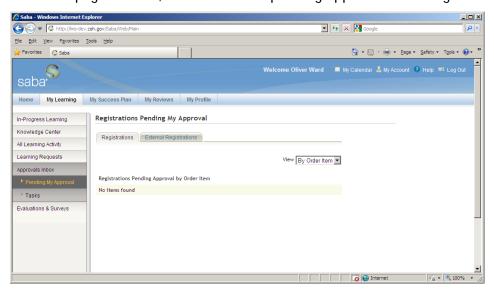
4. Review the registrations pending approval under the Registrations tab.



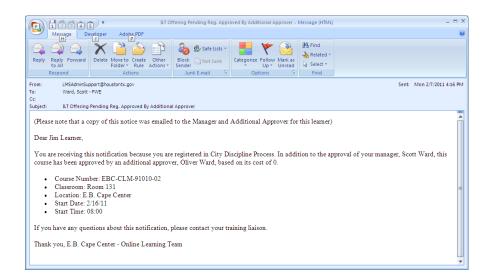
5. Click the **checkbox** to the left of the title link of the Order Item Name. Then click the Approve Selected button to provide the approval, as appropriate.



6. When the page returns, the Order Item pending approval is no longer shown.



7. Additionally, you should receive an e-mail that indicates that the request was approved by the additional approver.

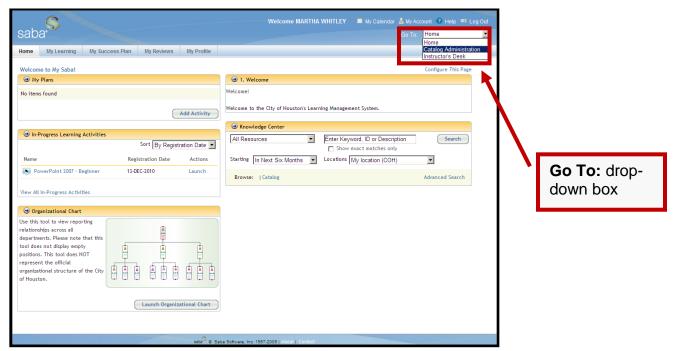


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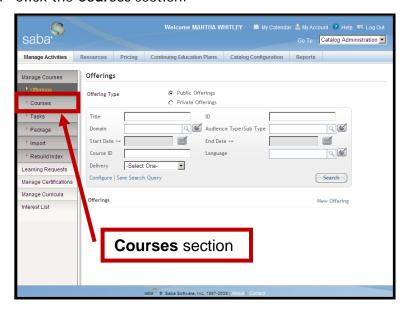
LMS Job Aid: Create an Instructor-Led Offering

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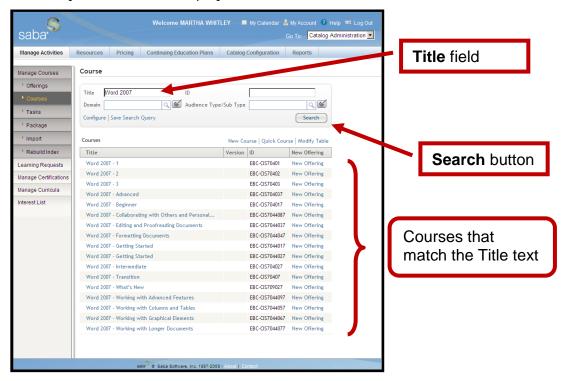
- 1. Log into the LMS.
- 2. Select Catalog Administration from the Go To: roles drop-down list in the top right corner of the screen



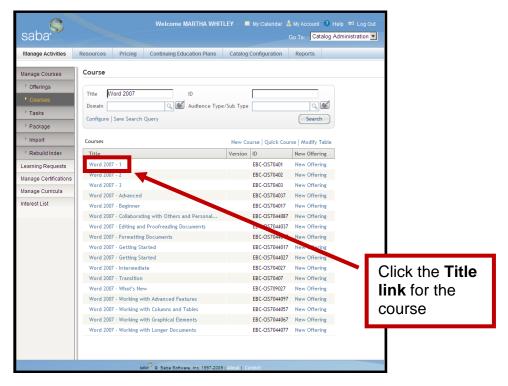
Click the Courses section.



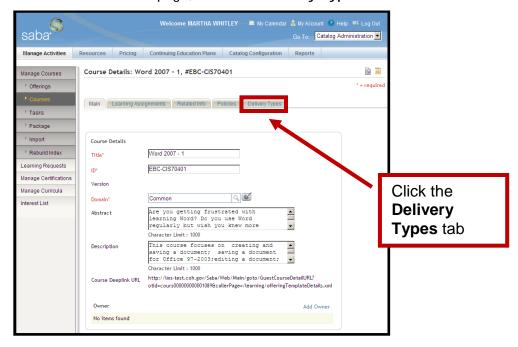
4. Type all or part of the Course Name in the **Title** field and click the **Search** button. The courses matching the text you entered are displayed.



5. Click the **Title link** of the course for which the new offering will be created. In this example, we will use the Title link for **Word 2007 - 1**.



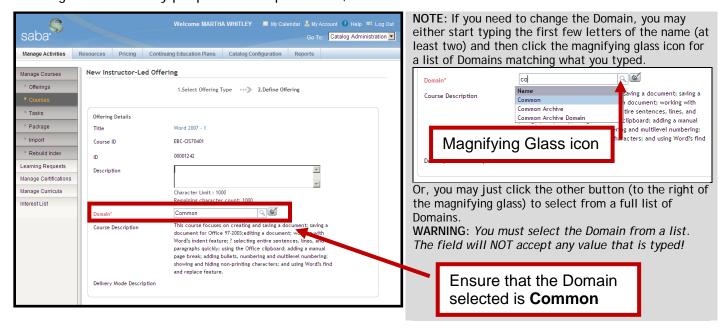
6. At the Course Details page, click the Delivery Types tab.



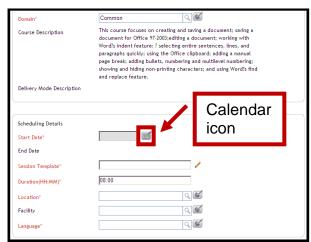
7. On the Delivery Types tab, click the link on the right for a New Instructor-Led Offering.



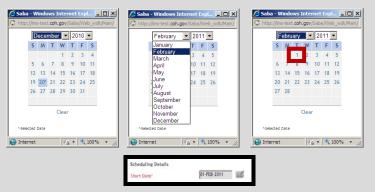
9. At the New Instructor-Led Offering page, ensure that the Domain is set for **Common**. To ensure that the offering can be seen by people in all departments, the Domain must be set for Common.



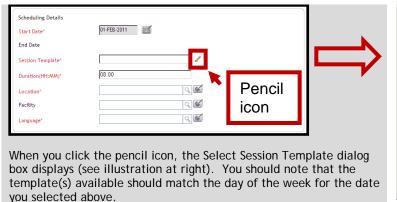
10. In the Scheduling Details area of the Offering page, click the Calendar icon to select the Start Date.



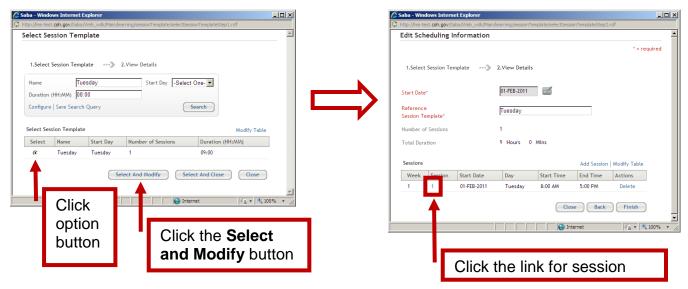
Use the Calendar icon to set the appropriate start date. Use the drop-down lists to select the proper month and year, and then click the link for the correct day to set the date.



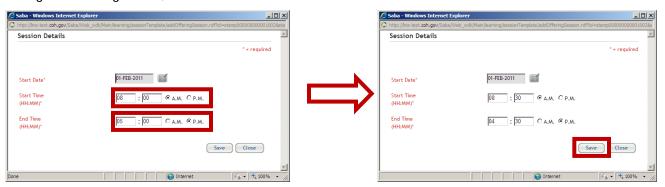
11. Use the pencil icon to select a Session Template.



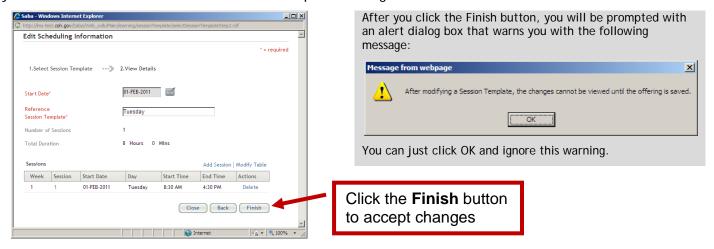
12. On the Select Session Template dialog box, click the round option button to select the template, and then click the Select and Modify button. When the Edit Scheduling Information dialog box displays, click the link for the session to continue.



13. After clicking the link for the session, the Session Details dialog box displays. Fill in the appropriate starting and ending times, and then click the Save button.



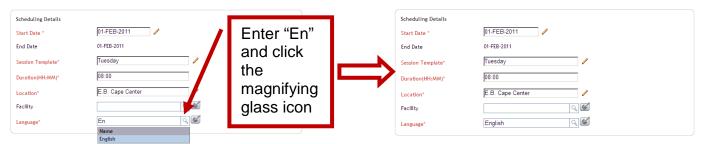
14. After clicking the Save button above, the Edit Scheduling Details dialog box returns, showing the times you selected. Click the **Finish** button to accept the changes.



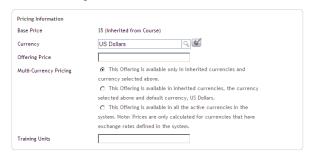
15. The Scheduling Details section now shows the correct Date, Session Template and Duration. On the Location field, click the button to the right of the magnifying glass icon to see a list of locations. From the Select Location dialog box, click the button to the left of the name E.B. Cape Center to continue.



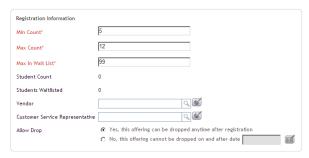
16. The Scheduling Details section now also shows the correct Location. On the Language field, enter En (as in English) and click the magnifying glass icon. Select English from the drop-down list.



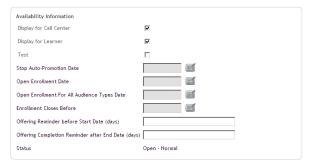
17. In the Pricing Information section, you see the Base Price, which is inherited from the Course information. Verify that the price listed is correct. If needed, you can create a new price specific to this offering.



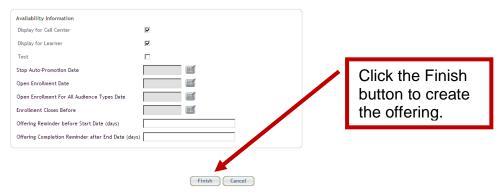
18. In the Registration Information section, you see the Min Count, Max Count and Max In Wait List values, which are also inherited from the Course. Verify that these numbers are all correct for the offering.



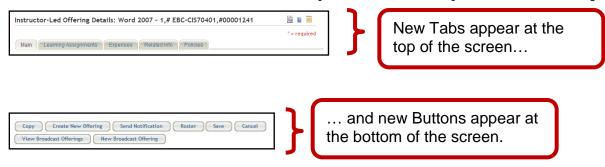
19. In the Availability Information section, ensure that the check boxes called Display for Call Center and Display for Learner are both checked.



20. When all the steps above are completed, click the Finish button to create the offering.



21. After you click the Finish button, you should see a new set of tabs at the top of the screen and a new set of buttons at the bottom. These indicate that you have successfully created the offering.

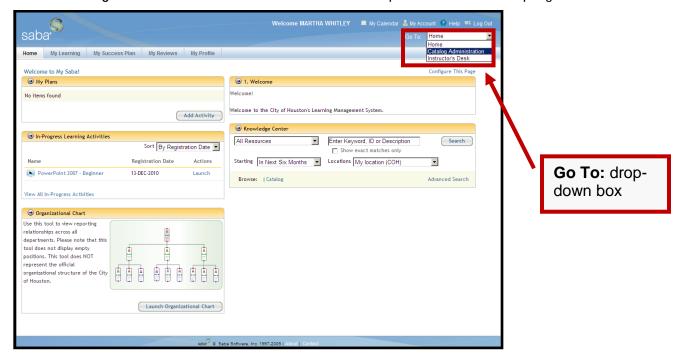


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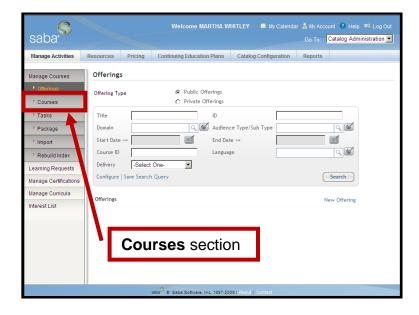
LMS Job Aid: Apply an Audience Type to a Course

You can use Audience Types to restrict access to a course or offering in the catalog. The purpose of this job aid is to show you how to apply an existing Audience Type to a course.

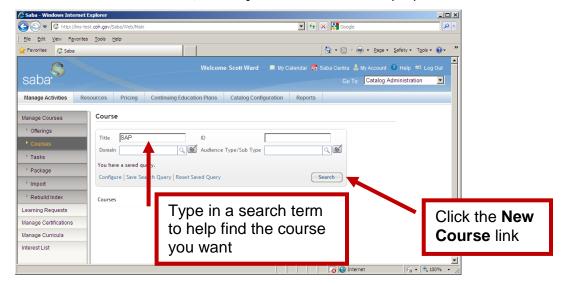
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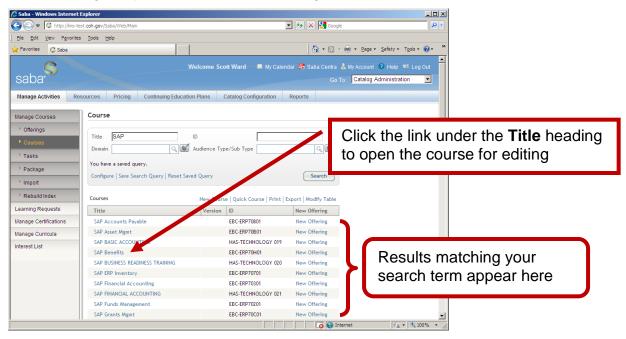
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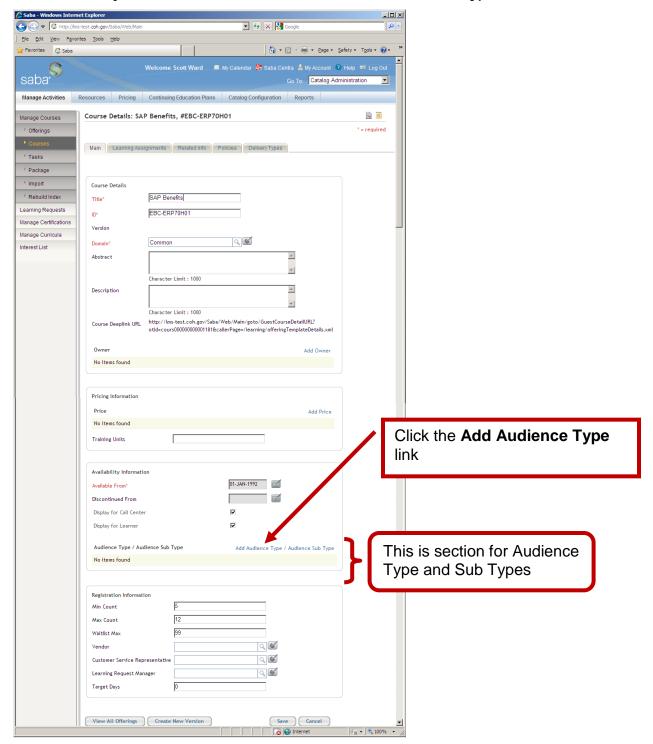
4. Enter a keyword or phrase to locate the course you want to work with. (You may also choose to filter by Domain, or use a course ID.) After you have entered the proper information, click the **Search** button.



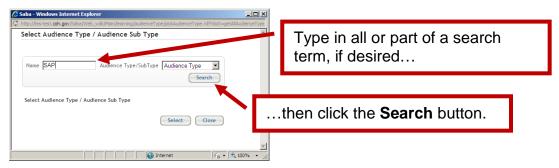
5. Find the course you want to work with in the list of search results. Click the link under the Title heading to open the course for editing. In this case we'll choose the SAP Benefits course.



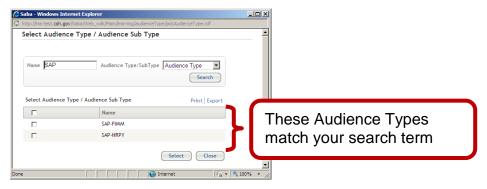
6. At the Course Details page, scroll down until you can see the Audience Type / Audience Sub Type section. When you have found the section, click the **Add Audience Type** link.



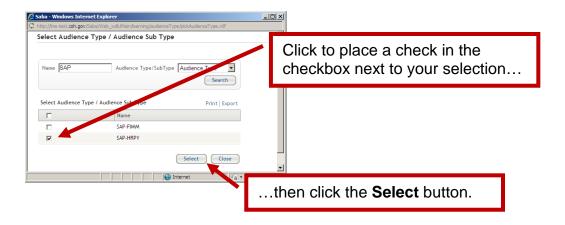
7. At the Select Audience Type / Audience Sub Type screen, you may type in all or part of the name if you know it to limit the search. Then, click the Search button to see the available Audience Types.



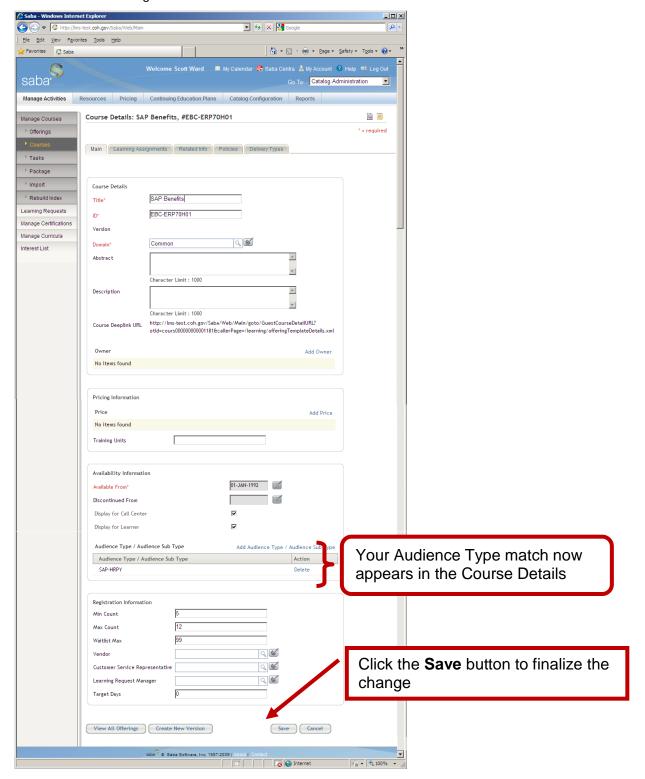
8. After you click the Search button, the screen returns with the Audience Types that match.



9. Click the checkbox to the left of your selection(s) and click the Select button to associate them to the course. NOTE: You may select more than one Audience Type at a time, if applicable.



10. Check the Course Details window to verify that your Audience Type is now listed. Click the Save button to confirm the change.

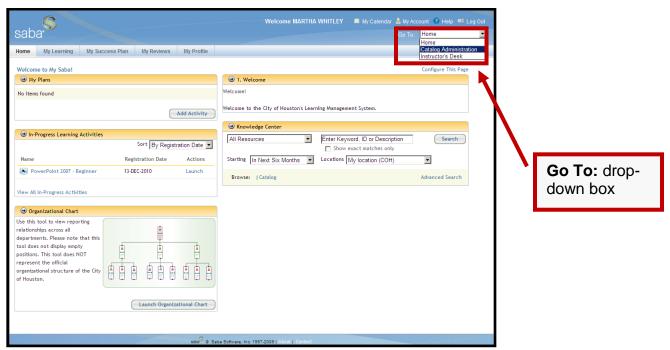


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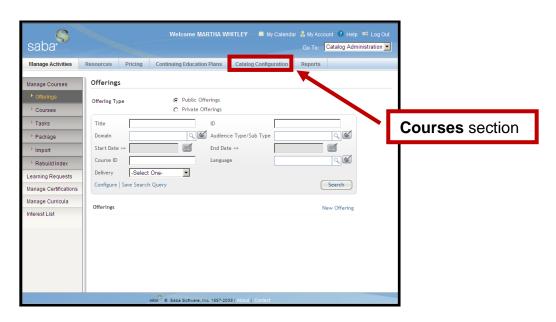
LMS Job Aid: Create an Audience Type

Audience Types are a means of filtering the visibility of courses and offerings in the LMS Catalog. The purpose of this job aid is to show you how to create an audience type.

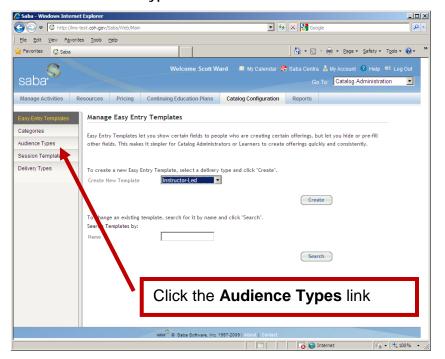
- Log into the LMS.
- 2. Select Catalog Administration from the Go To: roles drop-down list in the top right corner of the screen



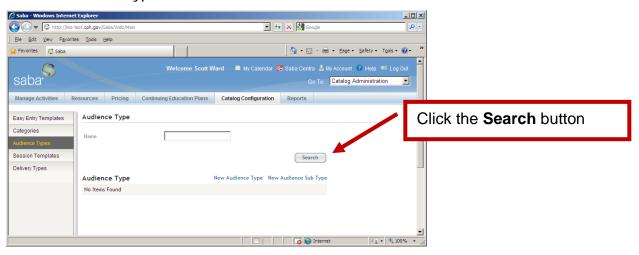
3. Click the Catalog Configuration tab.



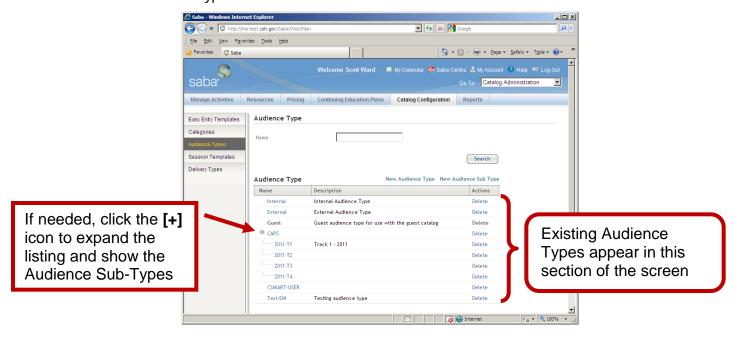
4. Click the Audience Types link.



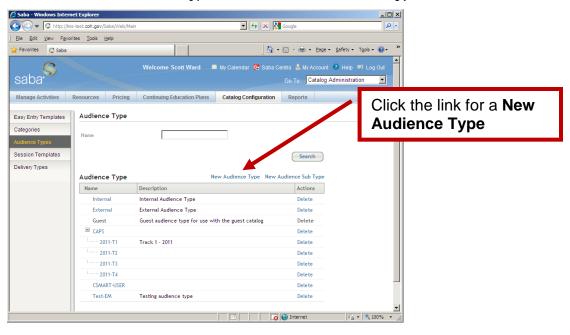
5. At the Audience Type screen, click the Search button.



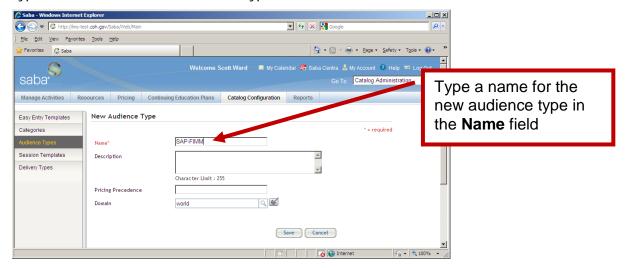
6. Review the existing Audience Types in the list. If needed, click the plus icon [+] to the left of a listing to reveal the Audience Sub-Types beneath it.



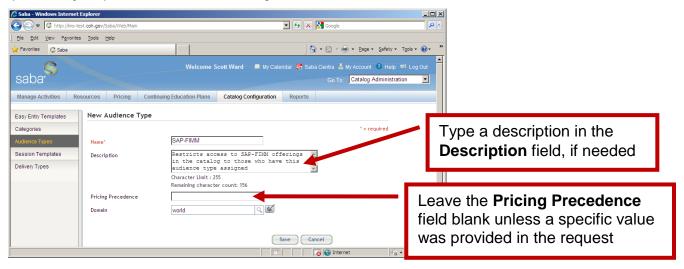
7. To create a new Audience Type, click the New Audience Type link.



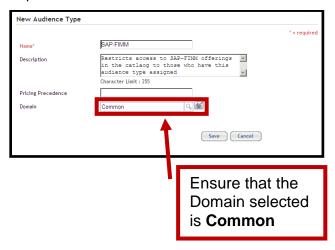
8. Type a name for the new audience type in the Name field.



9. Type a description for the new audience type in the **Description** field, as appropriate. Unless specifically requested, leave the Pricing Precedence field blank.



10. Ensure that the Domain is set to Common. To ensure that the offering can be seen by people in all departments, the Domain must be set for Common.

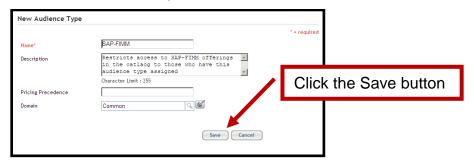


NOTE: If you need to change the Domain, you may start by typing the first few letters of the name (at least two) and then click the magnifying glass icon for a list of Domains matching what you typed.

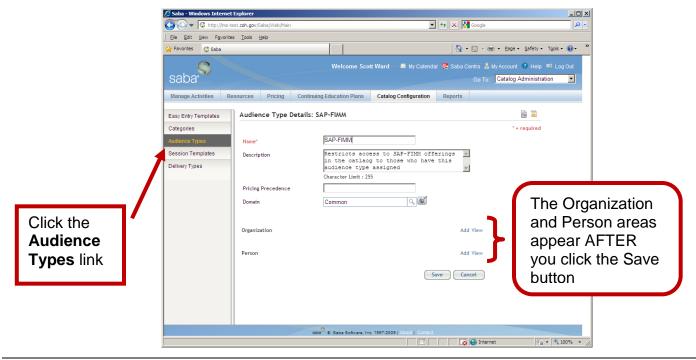


Or, you may just click the other button (to the right of the magnifying glass) to select from a full list of Domains. WARNING: You must select the Domain from a list. The field will NOT accept any value that is typed!

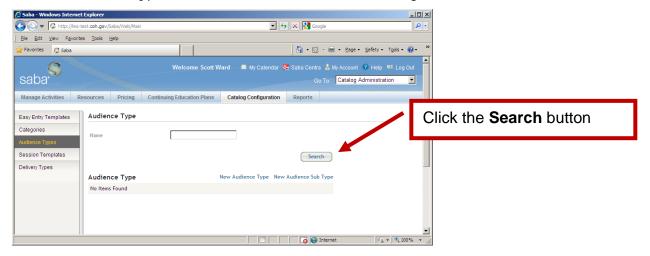
11. When the screen is complete, click the Save button to create the new Audience Type.



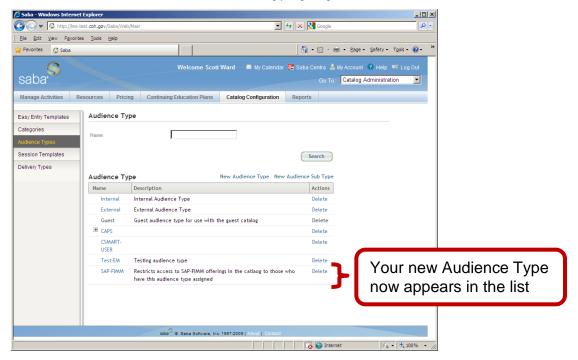
12. After you click the Save button, the screen displays two new areas. The Organization area can be used to associate the Audience Type to everyone in an organization at once. The Person area can be used to associate the Audience Type to one or more individuals. Click the **Audience Types** link to proceed.



13. At the Audience Type screen, click the Search button again.



14. You should now see the new Audience Type you just created in the list.

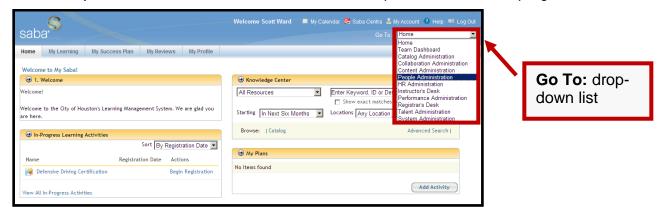


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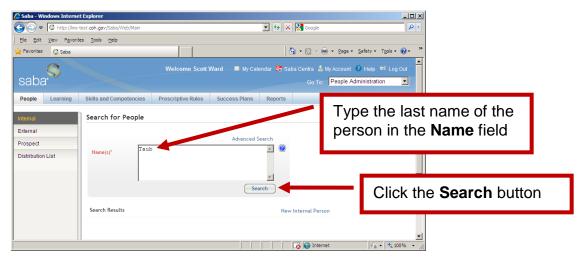
LMS Job Aid: Apply an Audience Type to a Person

You can use Audience Type to permit a person to access a course or offering that is restricted by Audience Type. The purpose of this job aid is to show you how to apply an existing Audience Type to a person.

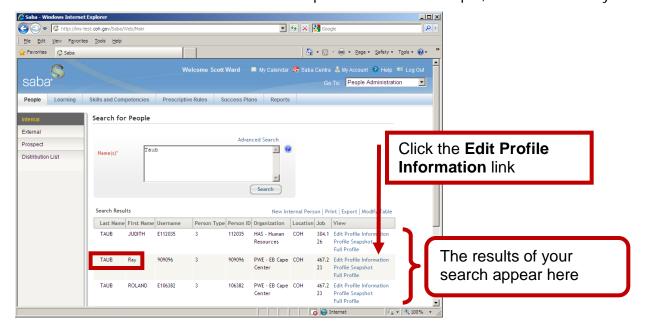
- 1. Log into the LMS.
- 2. Select People Administration from the Go To: roles drop-down list in the top right corner of the screen



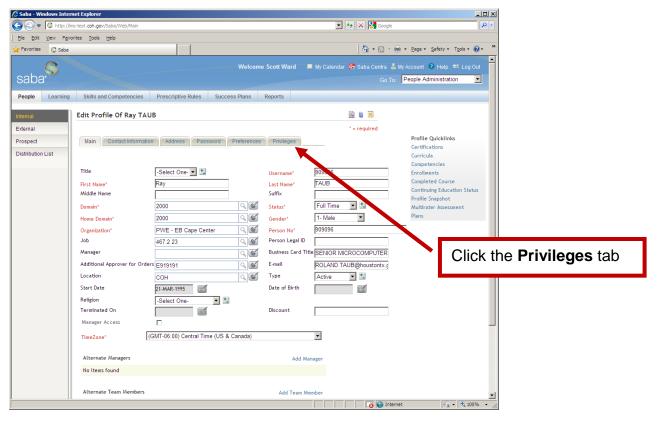
At the Search for People screen, type the last name of the person you want in the Name field. Then, click the Search button.



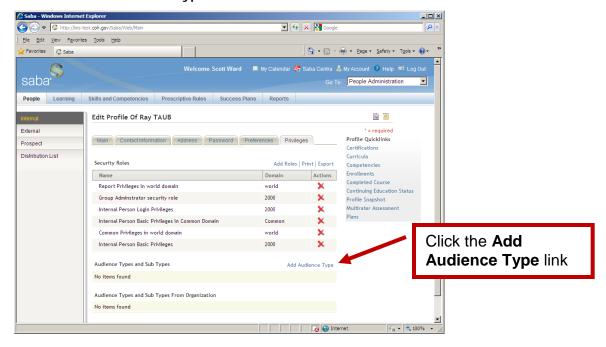
4. Click the Edit Profile Information link for the person. For this example, we will select Ray Taub.



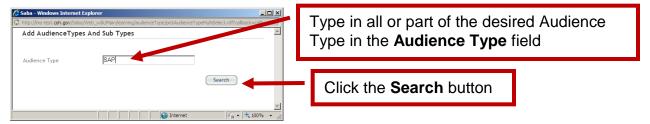
5. Click the Privileges tab.



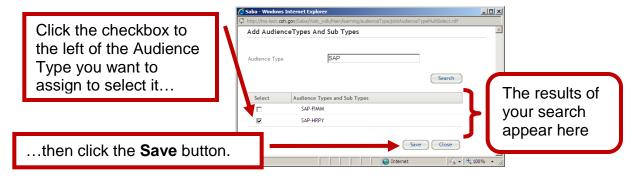
6. Click the Add Audience Type link.



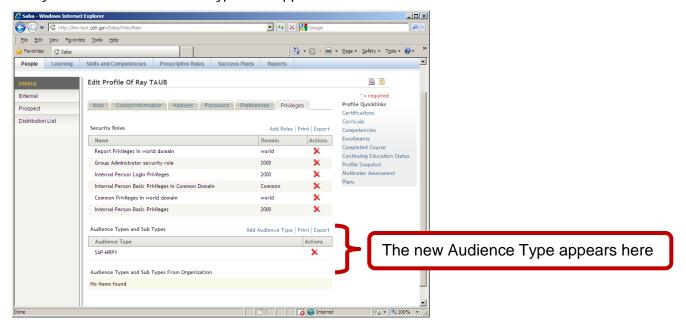
7. Type in all or part of the Audience Type in the Audience Type field. Then click the Search button.



8. The results of your search are displayed. Click to place a check in the checkbox to the left of the Audience Type you want to select, then click the **Save** button to assign it.



9. Verify that the new Audience Type now appears

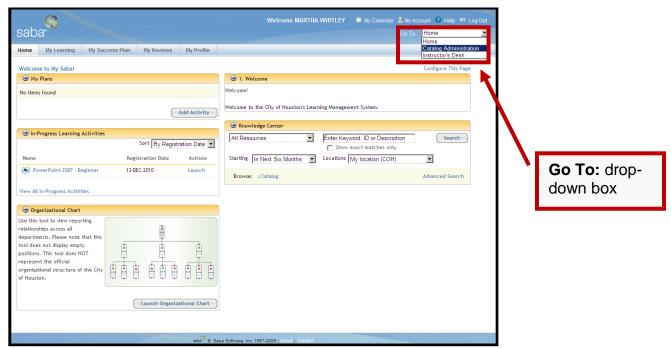


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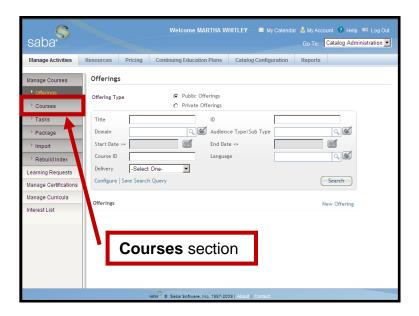
LMS Job Aid: Create a Course

The purpose of this job aid is to show you how to create a course.

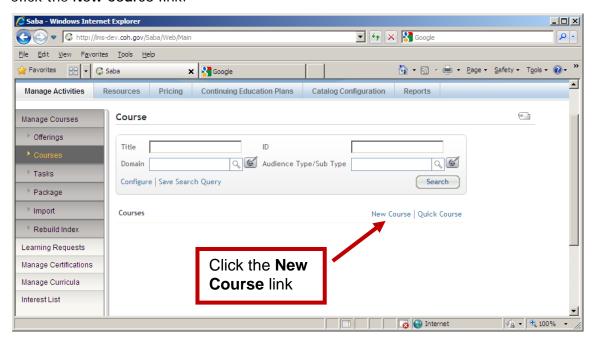
- 1. Log into the LMS.
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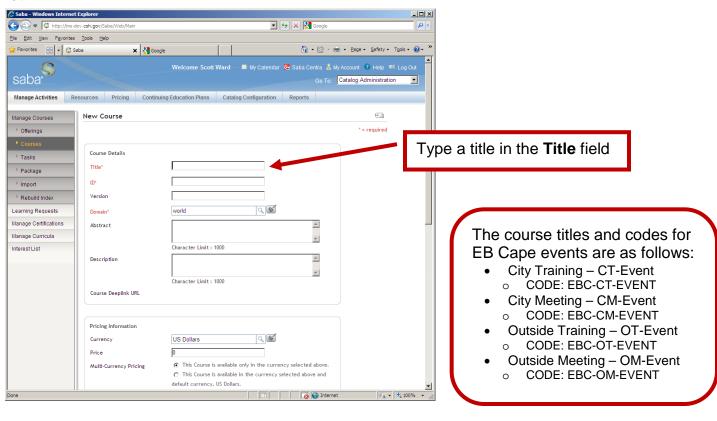
3. Click the Courses section.



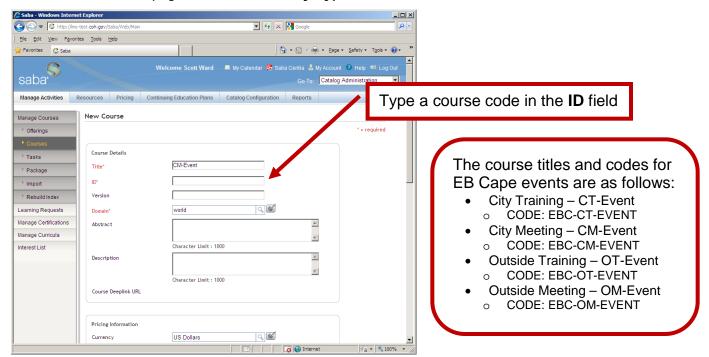
4. Click the New Course link.



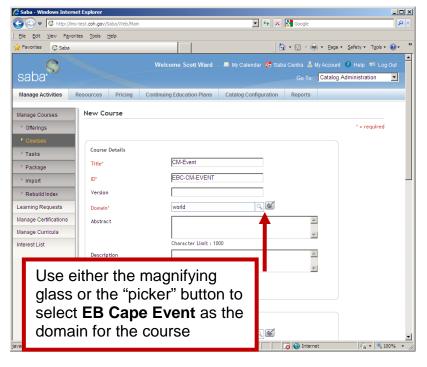
5. Type in a title for the course in the Title field.

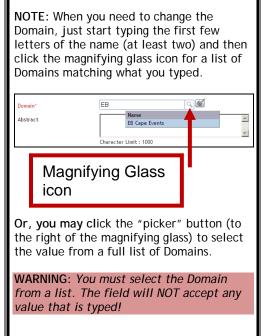


6. At the Course Details page, click the Delivery Types tab.

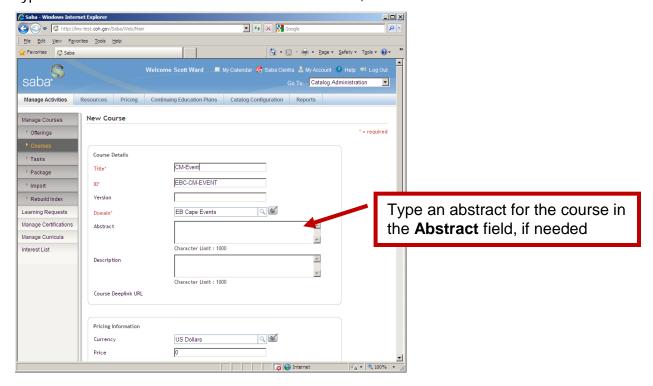


 Use either the magnifying glass or the "picker" button to select EB Cape Event as the domain for the course

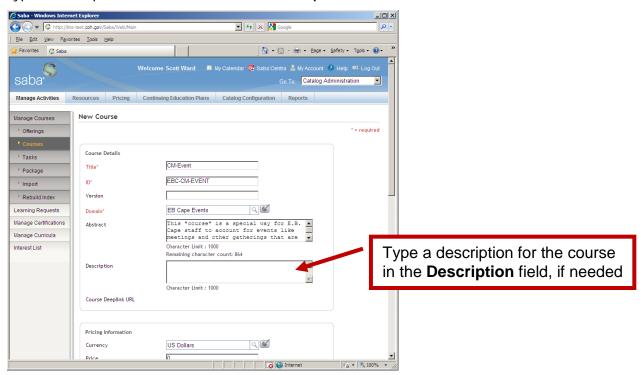




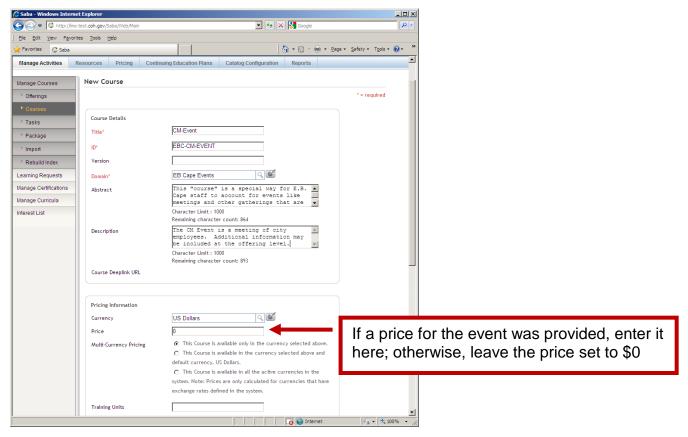
8. Type an abstract for the course in the Abstract field, if needed.



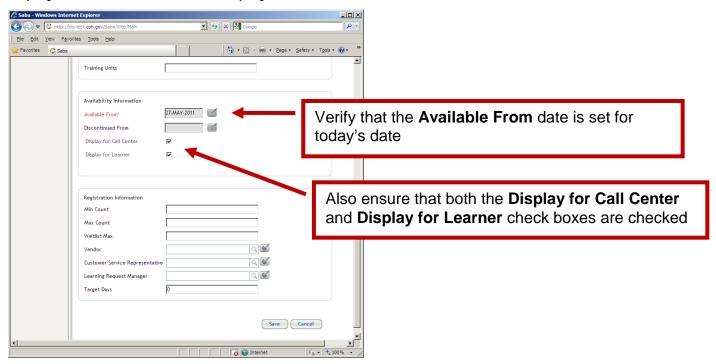
9. Type a description for the course in the Description field, if needed.



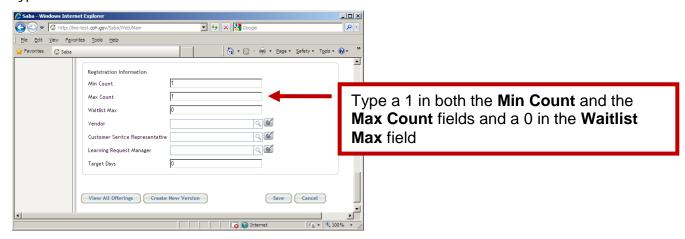
10. If a price was provided for the event, enter it in the Price field. Otherwise, leave the Price field set at \$0. Do not change any other values in the Pricing Information section.



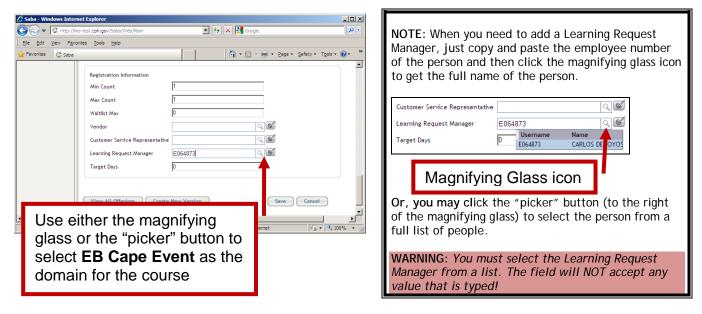
11. Verify that the Available From date shown is appropriate for the event. Also ensure that both the **Display for Call Center** and the **Display for Learner** check boxes are checked.



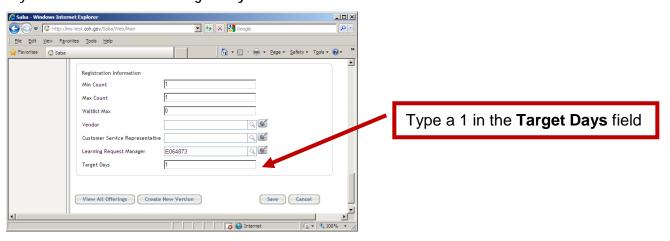
12. Type a 1 in both the Min Count and the Max Count fields and a 0 in the Waitlist Max field.



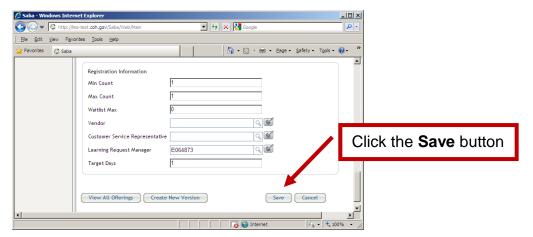
13. Type in the employee number for the Learning Request Manager in the Learning Request Manager field and click the magnifying glass button. Then, select the name from the list.



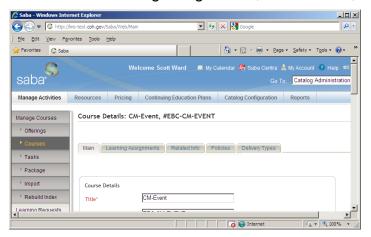
14. If the event lasts one day or less, type a 1 in the **Target Days** field. Otherwise, enter the number of days for the event in the **Target Days** field.



15. Click the **Save** button to save the course.



16. Notice that the top of the Course Details screen now shows the name and ID for the course, along with tabs for Learning Assignments, Related Info, Policies and Delivery Types.



17. At the bottom of the Course Details screen, notice that the Learning Request Manager's employee number has been replaced with a name. Also notice that there are now two new buttons: View All Offerings and Create New Version.

